ViVa – Victoria Site, UBC Department of Family Practice Residency Training Program Agreement

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The Victoria Vanuatu Physicians Association (ViVa) has been providing medical care to the people of Tanna Island and TAFEA province in southern Vanuatu since 1991. Generally, the ViVa Doctor comes from southern Vancouver Island and contracts for a six-month term on Tanna. The ViVa Doctor is employed by the government of Vanuatu, and resides and works primarily at Lenakel Hospital on Tanna. Their presence on Tanna offers a unique opportunity to Family Practice Residents in the Victoria Site, UBC Department of Family Practice Residency Training Program (VS-UBCDFPRTP) to train in Tropical Medicine in a third-world facility under the guidance of a Canadian doctor.

In respect of the mutual covenants ViVa and the Victoria Postgraduate Medical Education Program agree that:

1) Residents enrolled in the program who wish to do an elective on Tanna must submit a completed signed application form to the ViVa Doctor who will be hosting them on Tanna, at least six months in advance of the anticipated start date of the elective. Residents will be advised of their acceptance or rejection in a timely fashion.

2) The VS-UBCDFPRTP acknowledges that ViVa does not agree to accept a set quota of Residents, nor does Viva guarantee that each Resident who submits an application form will be accepted for an elective.

3) The VS-UBCDFPRTP will advise Residents applying for an elective with ViVa that medical travel insurance including coverage for medical evacuation should be obtained prior to departure.

4) ViVa will not be responsible for travel costs, arrangements or insurance, accommodation arrangements or costs, travel arrangements on Tanna, or meals for the Resident while on Tanna.

5) The VS-UBCDFPRTP acknowledges that the content and manner of Resident teaching are at the discretion of the ViVa doctor present on Tanna and are subject to time constraints and other demands on his/ her time.

6) The VS-UBCDFPRTP acknowledges that, while the illnesses and procedures which a Resident may encounter in clinical practice vary, Residents who are accepted for an elective on Tanna are advised to familiarize themselves with tuberculosis, malaria, pneumonia, meningitis, typhoid, malnutrition, burns, and perinatal complications, prior to arriving on Tanna.

7) The parties will develop a grading and performance evaluation of the Resident in keeping with evaluation of an elective, and the Resident will also be required to evaluate the experience.

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8) The VS-UBCDFPRTP confirms that the Resident's practice insurance coverage is extended to include this overseas elective.

Signed this ___ day of _____, 2006.

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